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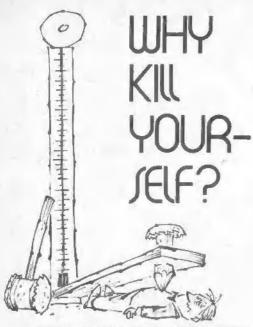
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LETTERS DEPT



"STUPORMAN ZZZ"

Your satire of "Superman III" sent me soaring into slumber. Thanks, MAD, I soaring into seein needed the extra sleep.
Sam Pratt

West Stockbridge, MA

I've always enjoyed your magazine's humor. I'm as sick-minded as you. I always wanted to be a part of your team. I've had a chance having appeared in Superman I, II and III, playing the character "Jimmy Olsen." It was truly rewarding seeing a little attention paid to "JO" It's about time! See you in "Supergirl!"

Marc McClure The QE II

RETURN OF MAD ESP

Once again, everything has transpired as ou have foreseen. Take a look at your "Star Wars Log" in MAD #230, page 38. You had "Return Of The Jedi" down pat before it was in the can.

We learn more about Luke's ancestry" in this film..."Luke returns from a space voyage to the planet" where he lived as a boy ... after having been "snatched" for his own protection ... "he discovers the true identity of his father" ... and he rescues "Chewbacca from midget aliens."

You even have an illustration of Luke swinging on a vine, just like in Jedi. But seriously, don't you think you ought to give Lucas back his "top secret master plan"? He obviously needs it.

Irene Stubbs Jamaica Estates, NY

A LOT OF GUM-PTION

I recently asked my father, who is a dentist, if he could fix Alfred's tooth problem. He said that he would be glad to pull the rest for free.

lames Burnett Cedar Hill, TX

TRICK NO TREAT

The MAD answer to the same old question that comes up every Halloween-Will the candy supply hold out until the little fiends stop descending upon our house?

Tim Isaacson Oak Park, IL

YET ANOTHER ALFRED LOOK-ALIKE

We're seventh grade pupils in Kempton Park, South Africa. In our class we are very fortunate to have MAD's Alfred E. Neuman in person. (Or shall we say, very near to it.) His name is Jurie Kasselman, the cleverest and maddest pupil in the school!

Std. 5 v.H. Republic of South Africa



Africa E. Neuman

TELLING IT LIKE IT IS

I can't believe you missed this one while putting together your 'Amending The Rule Book To Cover Sportscasters'

EXCESSIVE ÍNTERJECTION OF IRRELEVANT FELÍCITATIONS

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Announcers are hereby prohibited from announcing birthdays, anniversaries, or other personal messages pertaining to people known to less than .05% of the viewing audience. Penalty shall be to personally deliver cakes and/or flowers to ALL individ-uals mentioned on the air.

SUB-CLAUSE I:

Additional sanctions may be imposed if more than 92% of those named belong to a single ethnic group.

Karen Woytowich Staten Island, NY

Holy Cowl How could we forget that one!?!

BIBLE BELTS

I was very disappointed in your article "The Book Of MAD" when you stated that there was very little humor in Biblical times. Wake up and smell the manna! God has a great sense of humor. He created us, didn't

> Lorrainne Y. Roddey Ben Lomond, CA

You're absolutely right! After all, wasn't it Lot who first said, "Take my wife, please!"?-Ed.



The Waste Of A Good Pumpkin

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Your October issue of MAD had several articles about Postal employees which made them look like idiots. As a Postal employee for twenty-eight years I have tried to do the job I was hired to do. Yes, we make mistakes. So do you. But you are not held up in the limelight like Postal employees are. I notice you use our services. If they are so bad, why don't you get someone else to deliver for you?

Dee Heilmann Vidor, TX

The above letter is an excellent example of "junk mail"!-Ed.

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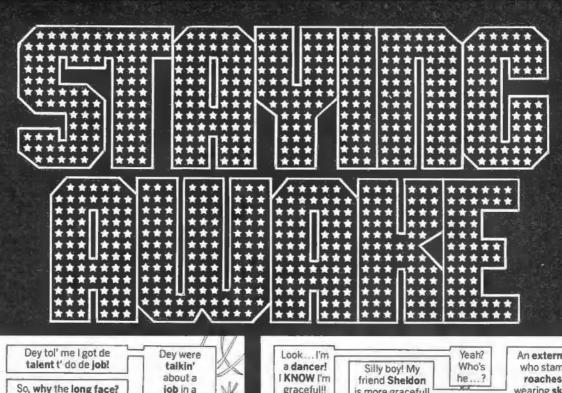
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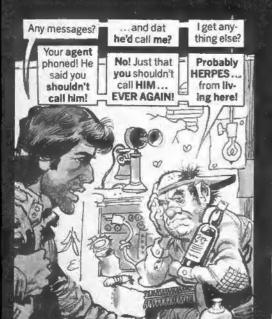
It took six long years to make the sequel to "Saturday Night Fever." Obviously, they had some difficulty bringing this sequel to the screen. Well, the difficulty doesn't stop there! When you see this movie, you're gonna have even more difficulty, just ...











Hey, Stud ...! You wanna make Ithought If with me tonight? Whaddya say ... my place or hers!?!

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS



de line

WRITER: STAN HART

No

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Listen, Jerkie! I may not be a successful dancer, but when it comes to SEX, I'm an animal! Someday, I'll show you!!

Don't you remember?! You showed me...last night!!

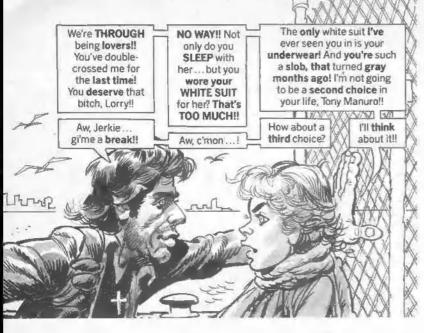
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You really ARE an animal! Too bad it's a Donkey!

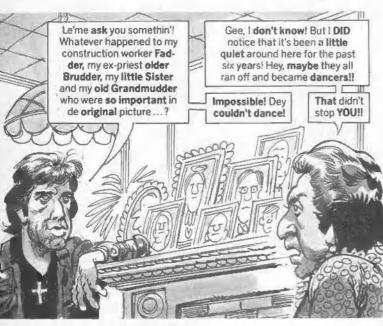


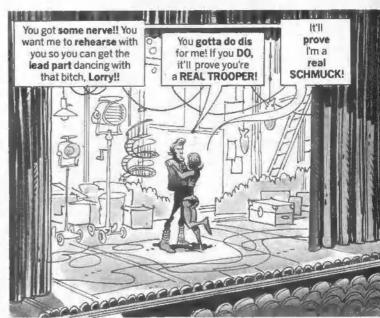
















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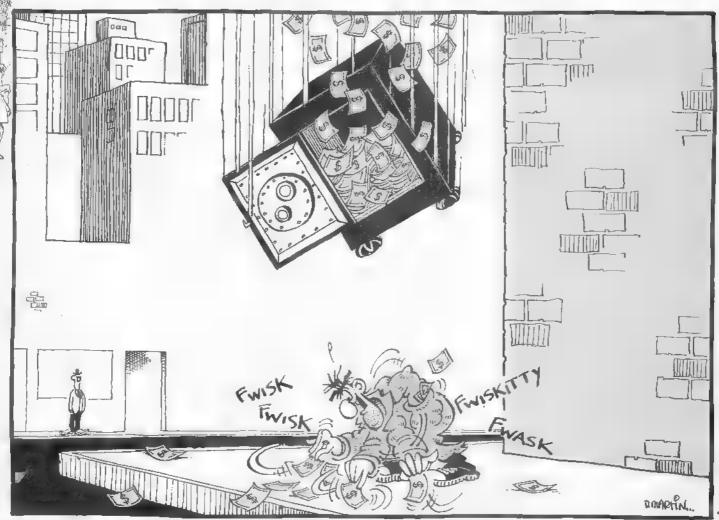




ONE LUCKY MORNING ON FRIDAY THE 13TH







GENERATION SLAP DEPARTMENT

There hasn't been much talk lately about the "Generation Gap"...but it definitely still exists. It's just that it's grown so wide that kids and their parents can no longer communicate about anything, including the "Generation Gap." MAD thinks this

WHAT PARENTSTHIN

ARTIST: PAUL COKER

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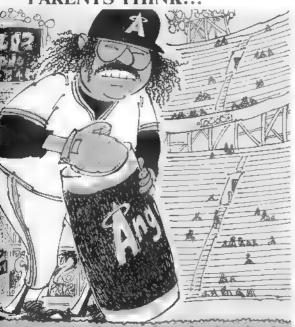
...that a \$400 bicycle that shifts into 15 different gears is a waste of money, but a \$4000 home computer that remembers your grocery list is a wise investment.

PARENTS THINK.



...that the driver's license age should be raised to 25, and the work permit age should be lowered to 10, thereby giving a kid 15 years to earn his own money to buy a car.

PARENTS THINK



...that Reggae is a famous ex-Yankee out-12 fielder who plays for the California Angels.



...that a kid who desperately needs transportation for a big date can make do with Mom's Ford station wagon just as well as with Dad's 280ZX...

is sad, because each generation has wisdom that it could share with the other if one only knew what the other was talking about. MAD also thinks it may be possible to break down this wall of conflicting attitudes and confusing terms by examining:

AND MUATER STILL

WRITER: TOM KOCH

KIDS THINK ...



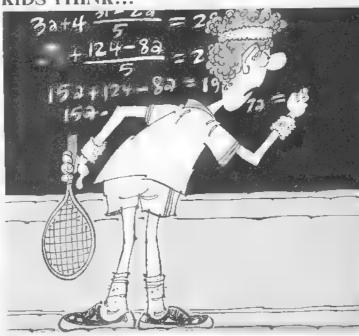
...that merely reading the textbook is not adequate homework for Sex Education, and that doing independent extra study is necessary to understand and appreciate the course.

KIDS THINK...



...that just because you have energy to swing a tennis racket doesn't mean you're in shape to push a lawn mower.

KIDS THINK...



...that you shouldn't have to pass Freshman Algebra because you obviously won't ever need it once you join the Pro Tennis tour and start to make those big bucks.

KIDS THINK ..



...that it's okay to attend church wearing a sweat shirt decorated with a beer advertisement or a snappy quotation. 13

PARENTS THINK...



...that Fleetwood Mac is either a Cadillac shaped like a burger, or a burger shaped like a Cadillac.

PARENTS THINK...



...that punk rock is a hard substance you burn on the front porch on summer evenings to keep mosquitoes away.

PARENTS THINK...



...that the only people you can trust are uniformed 14 policemen, ordained clergymen, and TV's Phil Donahue.

KIDS THINK...



...that a phone call can easily last over an hour, even if you're talking to someone you just spent the whole day with.

KIDS THINK...



...that choosing a good college to attend means picking your favorite school among the Top Twenty in the AP Football Poll.

KIDS THINK...



...that the only people they can trust are tattooed bikers, full-time surfers and rock musicians who dye their hair green.

Thinking about what career to get into? Wondering whether or not you'll fit in? Well, here's the third in a series of tests designed to help you choose your future line of work. Mainly, discover your true abilities by taking...

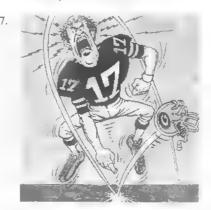
MAD'S APTITUDE TEST NUMBER WILLYOU MAKE A GOOD ATHLETE?

- Fill in the blank in this sentence: As a pro athlete, you should never become so successful that you forget the who made it all possible.
 - A. agent
 - B. tax accountant
 - C. investment advisor
 - D. All of the above.
- 2. As a pro, you are swell-headed. alienate your teammates and are the center of controversy. What does this kind of behavior get you?
 - A. More newspaper coverage than you ever dreamed of.
 - B. An automatic interview on nationwide TV by Howard Cosell.
 - C. Praise from the team owner, 'who knows that controversy improves the gate.
 - D. All of the above.

You can tell by the expression on this baseball player's face that:

- A. He's just been turned down for a Miller Beer commercial.
- B. He's just been traded to the Blue Jays.
- C. His wife just learned how he spends his nights on the road.
- D. Any of the above.
- 4. To quote a famous coach, "Winning isn't everything, it's
 - A. the extra \$20,000 you get for

- post-season play.
- B. how you renegotiate your con-
- C. your name on a candy bar.
- D. All of the above.
- 5. At contract time, the relationship between a pro athlete and his club's front office can be compared to:
 - A. Israel and the Arabs.
 - B. Luke Skywalker and the Em-
 - C. Boss Hogg and the Duke Boys.
 - D. Any of the above.
- 6. The expression "playing hurt" means:
 - A. It's a big game and the exposure you'll get will more than compensate for the pain.
 - B. You healed weeks ago, but you're still faking your injury so the coach will praise you in the press for having guts.
 - C. The team doctor has you on so many pain-killers and uppers that you're oblivious to your pain, your injuries, everything.
 - D. Any of the above.



This tight end is screaming that the referee made a bad call. Why?

- A. He wants to prove to his agent that he can act well enough to get a movie role.
- B. He's on nationwide TV.
- C. The stock he invested in just plummeted and he's got to scream at someone.
- D. Any of the above.

DEPOSITS WITHOMWALS



To quote another famous coach, "It isn't that you won or lost, but

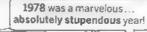
- A, how many times your photo gets in Sports Illustrated.
- B. what you pull down as a free
- C. how you do with your tax shelters.
- D. All of the above.
- 9. You're a baseball player and you end the season hitting over .300. This means that:
 - A. Whatever you're making. you're underpaid.
 - B. Whatever raise the owner offers, it's not enough.
 - C. Whatever you settle on, the publicity will be tremendous.
 - D. All of the above.
- 10. There is a special quality among pro athletes called "hustle." What does "hustle" mean to you?
 - A. Pushing for annual cost-of-living increases in your contract.
 - B. Making friends with a rich fan who's a Wall Street insider and can give you tips:
 - C. Getting out to the stadium early so you can be picked for a pre-game TV interview.
 - D. All of the above.

SCORING

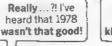
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VINTAGE WINES

... and we'd like a nice bottle of Bordeaux! Can you suggest a good year?

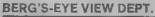






Are you kidding?!





THE LIGHTE

ANNOYING PETS









Don't be frightened! His bark is worse

That



... but it's his BREATH I can't stand!!



WINNING A BET





Here This is the first time it is, I've ever won any money you from you! I'm gonna frame lucky this ten dollar bill and guy! hang it in my bedroom!!







R SIDE OF...

have to!

ARTIST & WRITER: **DAVE BERG**

DINNER GUESTS

Since we have Bruce's little friend as a dinner guest ... perhaps she'd like to say the "prayer" before we eat ...?!

Gee. ľ'd like to ...



... but !--! don't know any prayers!!





Doesn't ANYONE say ■ PRAYER before your family eats?!?



No, we My Mom is a GREAT COOK!! don't



NEWS BROADCASTS





That's

what

ľm

doing.







I don't hear any radio or see any TV set on!! What's this baloney about listening to the Six O'clock News...?!



Alice and David are splitsville ... Joyce and Arnold are going steady ... and Kathy is on the pill ... !!



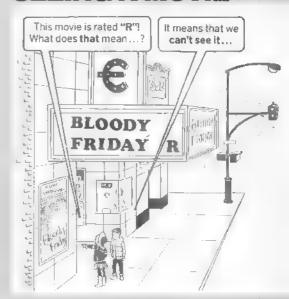
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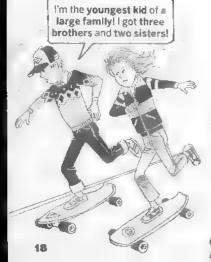
How ELSE can you explain how all those dumb friends of mine made it so big?!?



SEEING A MOVIE



BEING AN ONLY CHILD



So if anything goes wrong, there's a regular pecking order! And lots of times, I end up getting blamed!



You don't know how lucky you , being an only child!

What's so lucky ... ?!?



In my family, if anything goes wrong, there's nobody to blame but ME!!



PROBLEM EATERS









JOB INTERVIEWS







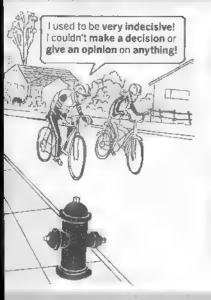
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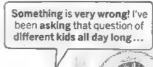






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...and everybody given me a different answer!!



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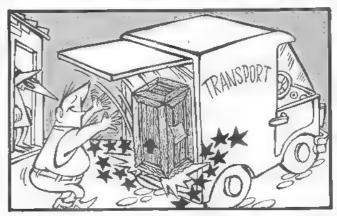


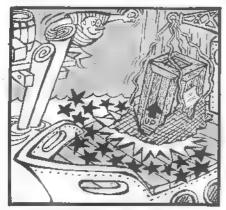


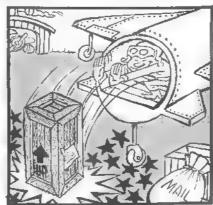


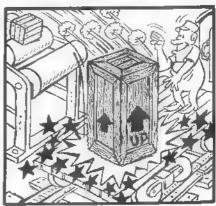




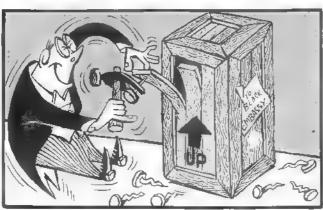














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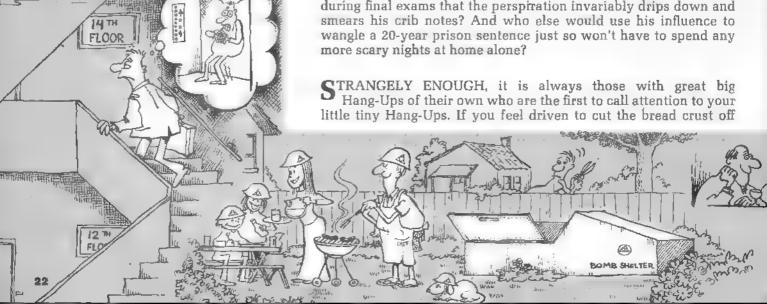
ARTIST: SERGIO ARAGONES

BETWEEN THE TIME you initially conquer your fear of roller skates and the time you ultimately surrender to your fear of roller coasters, you are certain to run head-on into a whole series of psychological barriers known as Hang-Ups. "Hang-Up" is a fairly new popular term that describes a very old unpopular feeling in the pit of the stomach. It has quickly become part of our language because it is much easier to say someone has a Hang-Up than it is to say he's a lily-livered, yellow-bellied, chicken-hearted, gutless mass of quivering human jelly.

HANG-UPS ARE most frequently induced by unhappy childhood experiences. This is why people who survived the Titanic disaster at an early age often have I Hang-Up about the icebergs that form in their swimming pools. And people born in Minnesota in February often have I Hang-Up about doctors with cold hands. And people who grew up being tormented by the scary threats of older brothers and sisters often have a Hang-Up about being kidnaped by Gypsies, or being bitten by vampires, or being thrown into a closet full of spiders, or being put up for adoption by their parents.

A PERSON WITH A HANG-UP is easy to spot in any crowd. He's the one who always wears a surgical mask on dates to drive-in movies so he won't be exposed to mononucleosis. He's the one who always faints at the poultry store because he can't stand the sight of raw chicken giblets. He's the one who always holds a transistor radio to his ear so he won't hear the question you're asking because he's sure he'd give you a stupid answer. And he's the one who always crosses intersections on the "DON'T WALK" light because he has a Hang-Up about authority figures who try to tell him what to do.

IN ALL CASES, those sad, sorrowful, stricken souls cursed with Hang-Ups can be counted on to behave in their own unique way. Who else would settle for a lifetime career of addressing envelopes at home, rather than run the risk of someday having to use strange bathroom? Who else would always break into such cold sweat during final exams that the perspiration invariably drips down and smears his crib notes? And who else would use his influence to wangle a 20-year prison sentence just so won't have to spend any more scary nights at home alone?



HANG-UP?

WRITER: TOM KOCH

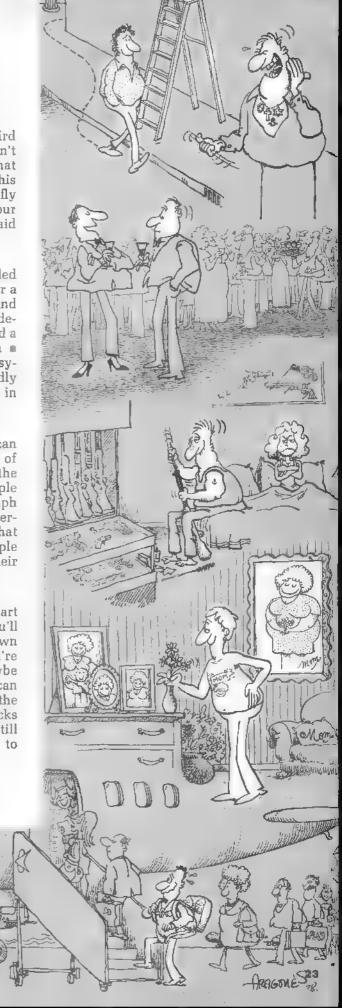
your sandwich, you can bet that it will be noticed by your weird aunt who eats nothing but boiled figs and yeast tablets. If you can't muster courage to phone the Prom Queen for a date, it's a cinch that the only one to laugh will be your cousin who has stayed in his room with the drapes closed since 1962. And if you're afraid to fly across the country in an airplane, you can expect to have your Hang-Up fully analyzed by the only person you know who's afraid to ride to the second floor in an elevator.

STILL, IT WOULD BE WRONG to dismiss even the most frazzled Hang-Up Sufferer as just another Neurotic Bomb looking for a place to fizzle out. Beneath his loose outer wrapping of twitches and shakes, he often harbors many fine qualities. He is Warm Comradeship refusing to shake hands, Jovial Hospitality crouching behind a double-locked door, Adventurous Courage tooling around on mini-bike with training wheels, Mature Judgment phoning his psychiatrist for advice, and Tomorrow's Leader trying to stride boldly into the future despite his Hang-Up about stepping on cracks in the sidewalk.

THOUGH HANG-UPS are a lifetime affliction for many, they can often be conquered if one follows the inspiring examples of recovery that are all around us. Who would not be lifted by the thought that Joey Bishop overcame a neurotic fear of boring people stiff? Who could fail to take hope from Howard Cosell's triumph over the absurd feeling that he might be an obnoxious blabbermouth? And who would not be heartened by the revelation that Richard Nixon surged forward despite silly concern that people didn't love him enough? If those victims could straighten out their tangled lives, then there is hope for all.

PERHAPS THE BEST WAY of all to conquer Hang-Ups is to start looking on the bright side of the things you fear most. You'll soon realize that even if you're on ship that sinks, it may go down in spot where the sharks are all vegetarians. Or even if you're trapped in the debris when an underground garage caves in, maybe the parking attendant will turn out to be an off-duty priest who can give you the last rites. Or even if the very worst happens, and the meanest bully on the beach laughs at your physique, and then kicks sand in your face, and then walks off with your girl, you can still triumph by calling out the familiar taunt that is guaranteed to shatter his masculinity:

"WHATSA MATTER, PAL? YOU GOT SOME KINDA HANG-UP?"



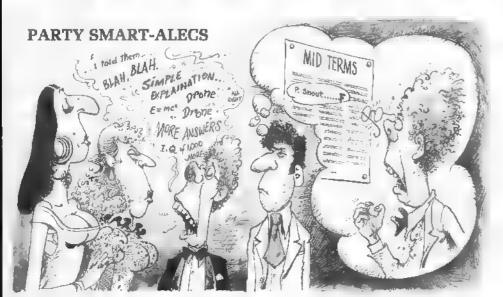
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TELEPHONE BOOTH HOGS

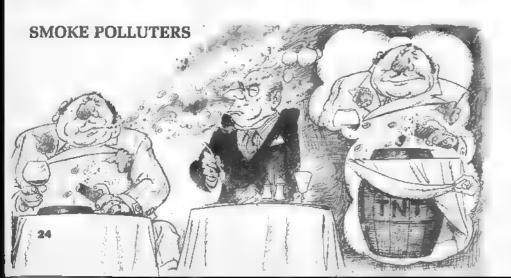


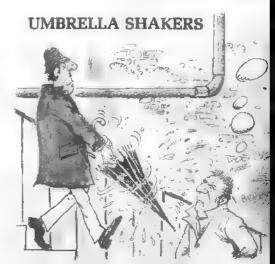
ARTIST: HARRY NORTH



NOSE-IN-THE-AIR SNOBS

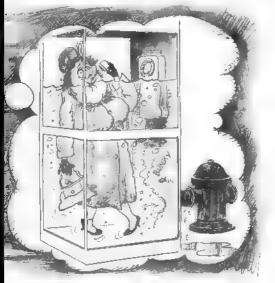




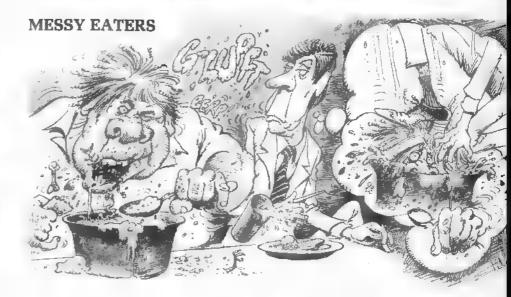


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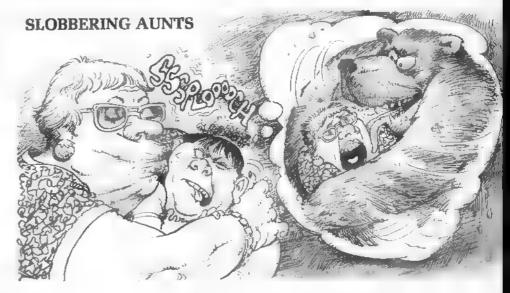




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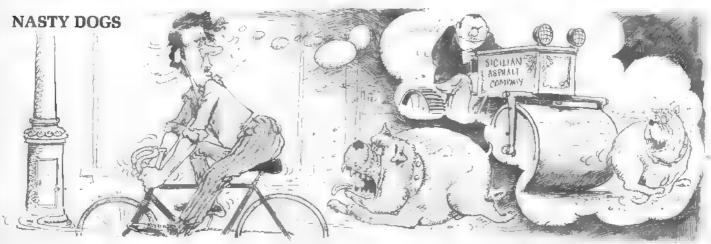
















ONE INSANE AFTERNOON ON INTERSTATE 80







RIGHTS TO WRONGS DEPT.

Recently, while Alfred was at the U.S. Patent Office, researching a much-needed patent (toupees for bald eagles), he discovered something very odorous. He came

LITTLE KNOWN

ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE

PATENT #45367821
BOTTLE-NECKED KETCHUP ROTTLE



A uniquely designed neck holds ketchup in bottle and prevents it from coming out, even when downward pressure is applied. Then, finally and unpredictably, it lets the contents of the bottle explode out, splattering everywhere.

PATENT HELD BY SPOTCO DRY CLEANERS SUPPLY CO.

PATENT #34777890
AN APPLIANCE "SECRET RESET" BUTTON



An automatic "malfunction" device, which can easily be installed in any appliance by the repairman summoned for a first-time service call. Device causes appliance to stop working soon after. When repairman returns, all he has to do is push the "secret reset" button, and appliance will start operating perfectly again while he is in the home. Once he leaves, "malfunction" device takes over. Results in many \$25.00 service calls, with little work necessary.

PATENT #26789345

A "91-DAY"/"366-DAY" COMPUTER CHIP



Can be used as the "brain" of any complicated electronic or mechanical device, such as a TV set, a car, etc. Chip contains a built-in "random self-destruct" circuit which will only activate itself after the "90-day" or "1-Year Guarantee" period has passed. Then all hell breaks loose.

PATENT HELD BY THE COMPUTERIZED TIMED DESTRUCTION CO. (SUPPLIERS TO THE AUTOMOBILE AND ABPLIANCE INDUSTRY)

PATENT #37889321

A ONE-TIME-USE PACKING MARTON



An ideal carton for shipping small appliances, computers, typewriters, electronic equipment, etc. Foam inner liners protect contents from damage, but have been inserted into the carton under extreme pressure. When customer unpacks purchase, foam expands to normal shape and cannot be repacked. Makes it impossible to return item "in original carton"—which is required for all exchanges or refunds.

across some strange patents that are secretly held by even stranger people and corporations. We'll show you exactly what he found with this MAD collection of

WRITER: DICK DE BARTOLO

PATENT #28459034 A PRE-STRESSED SHOPPING BAG



A shopping bag designed and manufactured in three "break strengths." Supermarket baggers can soon become familiar with which bag to use with which groceries. Construction of bag insures that shopper will be off the premises when bag breaks and glass goods shatter when they hit ground.

> PATENT HELD BY U.S. GLASS BOTTLE MAKERS ASS'N IASSIGNED TO SUPERMARKET BAG SUPPLIERS. INC.:

PATENT #40400034 AN ERRATIC-BEHAVING SODA MACHINE



A specially designed soda vending machine that guarantees the customer will not get what he pays for 30 percent of the time. But malfunctions are so "random", he will never catch on. Includes dispensing of: just soda-no cup, just cup-no soda, no syrup-plain carbonated water, no carbonated water-just syrup, no ice-just soda, no soda-just ice, half cup of soda or ice, etc. 28 variations in all.

PATENT #31589037

AN AUTOMATIC SOCK-LOSING DRY



A coin-operated commercial dryer, such as those used in laundromats and apartment laundry rooms. Automatically loses one sock out of every four pairs placed inside. If more than four pairs are dried, electronic sensor easily separates and loses two socks-from two different pairs.

PATENT HELD BY APEX COIN OPERATED DRYERS, INC. IA DIVISION OF AMALGAMATED SOCK MANUFACTURERS

PATENT #42349876 A SLOWLY-DISSOLVING PUTTY-LINER



A chemically formularized putty that can be used by auto manufacturers in and around doors, bumpers, grills-just about any place two metal surfaces touch. Putty slowly evaporates as car ages, causing squeaks, rattles and other irritating noises which brings customers back to the auto dealer for expensive repairs, or better vet, a new model.

PATENT HELD BY GLITCH SODA DISPENSING MACHINES, INC. (SUPPLIERS TO THE COIN-OP VENDING MACHINE INDUSTRY)

PATENT HELD BY NATIONAL DISSOLVING PUTTY CORP. LICENSED TO ALL MAJOR U.S. AUTOMOBILE MAKERSI As you tear down the road of life in your everlasting pursuit of happiness, what would you say is the most difficult goal to achieve? Finding the right girl, huh? Wrong!! There's one thing tougher than finding the right girl, and that's getting



Just like that, you want to For God's sake, all we did was go out, have a destroy everything we've been few beers and maybe fool trying to build up?! You want to tear down the very founaround a little! I didn't dation of our relationship. think we were putting up a CONDOMINIUM!! and wreck all our dreams?!

That's what could happen to you unless you know how to handle things properly! Which brings us to the main reason we're running this dumb article. Mainlyvour life could be saved if you

merely follow ...

CURING A SPLITTING HEADACHE DEPT.

ADSHE BREAKING

ARTIST: JACK RICKARD

THE SITUATION: You meet another girl who's more interesting, and you want to break off with the old one...





Just because you're beautiful and witty and intelligent, and I'm not very bright and a bit insensitive and not even fit to APPROACH the ground you walk upon, you think I'm a schmuck?!?



rid of her! It's not as simple as it seems! F'rinstance, let's assume you're no longer interested in the girl you're going with, and you want to break it off. Here's what could happen if you commit the unpardonable sin of telling the truth:





PRULHINSON PWIHAGIRL

WAY TO HANDLE IT: Make the old girl think that she's breaking off with you!





THE SITUATION: You expected a little fun and a few laughs, but now the relationship is getting too serious...





THE SITUATION: She's getting much too possessive, and it's time now to turn out the lights on the whole thing...

Okay, Jeremy, here's our schedule for the weekend: Friday night we're having dinner with my parents! Saturday we're going to the football game! Saturday night, it's a movie! Sunday afternoon, we're going to-Hold it right there, Lisa!! What about Sunday morning?!







THE SITUATION: Your relationship has about as much fizz as an open bottle of Dr. Pepper and you want out...







WAY TO HANDLE IT: Scare the hell out of her!





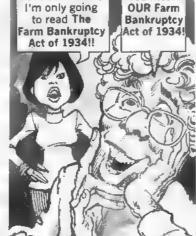
WAY TO HANDLE IT: Give her a taste of her own medicine!



Look, Jeremy, you're being rather silly-

Silly? Because I can't be apart from you? Because I worship and adore you?! Because the food you eat is OUR food, and the air





You mean

For Pete's sake,

Lisa...? Open the door! Are you all right? Jeremy! I'm in the bathroom!! Leave me alone!

Can't I heip ... ? I'll tear off our toilet paper! I'll turn on our water! I'll lather our soap! Go home! Don't come Listen, back! I'm throwing Darling! up... YAAAKKKK!! **QUR puke!**

WAY TO HANDLE IT: Drive her bananas with your jealousy!

Okay...! You're NOT fooling around! And there's nobody else! Now, just answer me one little question!

How come you've got LIPSTICK on your COLLAR?!?

It's MY LIPSTICK, idiot! I'm a GIRL remember?!?

A LIKELY STORY!! Where IS he?? I'll KILL him! I'll MUR-

Get out! [don't want to see you again! You are out of

Ah-hah!! Will you look at that! He's gone less than 30 seconds, and already you're writing him

WHAT?! I'm writing a letter to the Gas Company! it SAYS, "To Whom ■ May Concern"!

See that? You'll give





OUT OF THE FRYING PAN AND INTO THE IRE DEPT.

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WE WON'T MISS THOSE ELEVATOR OPERATORS... OR WILL WES!?





WE WON'T MISS THOSE GYM INSTRUCTORS... OR WILL WE?!?





WE WON'T MISS THOSE BANK TELLERS



WE WON'T MISS THOSE SALESLADIES

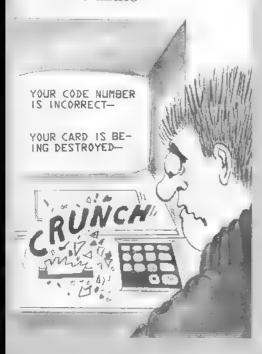


EM...OR WILL WE?!?

WRITER AND ARTIST: PAUL PETER PORGES

...OR WILL WE?!?

CASH-O-MATIC



... OR WILL WE?!?

Thank you for calling The Catalogue Shopper! Our "Return-For-Credit" Department is located in Santa Bacokta, Honduras! This is mecording...



WE WON'T MISS THOSE SWITCHBOARD OPERATORS ... OR WILL WE?!



Hi! This is frax snt wmpleveep! We're sorry beer rotzaph home bite oww, but fiff goo leep nyor maim and number at the beep, veeble vetz glack to you—grrrrrr snig blaxxxxxxx vort BEEP!



WE WON'T MISS THOSE SHOE SHINE BOYS ... OR WILL WE?!?





WE WON'T MISS THOSE HEADWAITERS ... OR WILL WE?!?





WE WON'T MISS THOSE TOLL COLLECTORS ... OR WILL WE?!?





WE WON'T MISS THOSE GAS STATION ATTENDANTS ... OR WILL WE?!?





MARQUEE DE SADE DEPT.

You probably think it's just a coincidence that every movie theater or drive-in you attend seems to be equally uncomfortable, poorly equipped and generally arranged to cheat you out of your last cent by one means or another. Well, we've discovered it's more than mere chance that turns every evening at the movies into fight for survival. A secret catalogue has come into our hands which proves that we're routinely being subjected to systematic sadism and swindling by the theater operators who all buy their torture and pillage equipment from the same shady supply house. And so, in order to expose this devious operation, here is:





MISLEADING MARQUEE SIGNS let you imply that big stars and hit movies are playing at your theater, without your actually saying so. Copyrighted wording has been approved by our unethical lawyers to let you legally show any clinker you choose while luring crowds with lavish but meaningless statements out front.

84556-"JOHN TRAVOLTA IS BETTER THAN EVER" SIGN \$13.50 84557—"DON'T MISS ROBERT REDFORD'S LATEST"

BOTTLED POPCORN SMELL can be easily pumped through theater air conditioning system to create big bucks for you by creating desperate hunger pangs among your patrons. Clever device operates all day on only a few pennies worth of electricity and a few teaspoons of melted butter. Also great in summertime for drowning out normal hot weather body smells of your raunchy customers.

87769-PHONY POPCORN SMELL \$79,95 DISPENSER \$2.50



ALL-PURPOSE SEXY LOBBY POSTERS There is no law stating that scantily clad girls pictured out front must also appear in the movie that's playing inside. Use this legal toophole to let a bevy of cuties promote those awful "boy-and-his dog" films you're often forced to exhibit. Same poster works for all occasions until fans of dirty

74492—X-RATED POSTERS FOR **G-RATED MOVIES...\$7.95 EACH**

movies in your area finally wise up.

TRACTIONS. Why drive customers away with scenes from the awful movie you really plan to show next week when more people would come if they thought you were screening a blockbuster? These film clips from big hits will lure hundreds who are too dumb to notice that you always avoid lawsuits by running a "Programs Subject To Change Without Notice" notice at the end. which no one will notice. 87035-ULTRA-SNEAKY SNEAK

PREVIEWS OF NON-COMING AT-

PREVIEWS....\$35 EACH 87036—"PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE" NOTICE.. . \$75





ELEVATED FOOT REST keeps the Health Dept. out of your hair by keeping mice off your customers' feet. Lovely simulated brass railing stands a full six inches high to allow ample clearance for even the largest rodents to scamper around undetected. Let a few dollars wisely invested now prevent a costly shutdown for pest control work later on.

17996-"ANIMAL HOUSE" FOOT RAILING. \$19.50 PER YARD



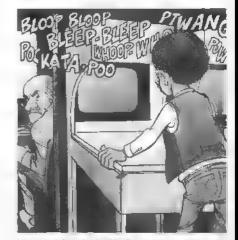
SALTY, SPICY "HOT DOG" SAU-SAGES boost refreshment stand sales by making double-size cold drinks an urgent necessity for your agonized customers. Deceptivé sausages look like harmless American hot dogs, but are actually a pure salt pork and chili pepper combination made by diabolical Haitian sausage stuffers. Enjoy watching victims beg for your costliest cola to put out the fire

50577-"TONSIL TOASTER" BRAND **SAUSAGES \$4.89 LB.**

BOOST PROFITS WITH BROKEN SEATS! These rump busting dandles end all danger of patrons getting comfy enough to sit through two shows for the price of one while others walt outside. Each seat has missing boits or broken springs to guarantee quick departure, often before the picture has even begun. Individually broken by experienced vandals for your satisfaction.

51433-"TAIL TORTURE" BRAND SEATS \$16 EACH 38





ELECTRONIC GAMES provide lobby diversion for patrons who tire of watching the crummy movies you exhibit. Even better for you, whistles and sirens on these game machines prevent those who enjoy crummy movies from hearing the dialogue, thus driving them into the lobby to pour their money into still more game machines. Order several and watch their popularity multiply.

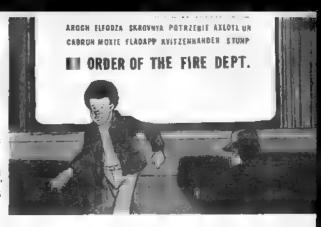
60791—BLEEPITY-BLEEPING

ELECTRONIC GAMES.....\$695



DRIVE CUSTOMERS TO YOUR RE-FRESHMENT COUNTER before the feature begins with wordy, boring slides announcing fire ordinances, theater behavior rules, refreshment stand offerings, etc.

44382—"\$500 FINE FOR SMOKING" ANNOUNCEMENT...\$9.88 44383—"JAIL TERM FOR DISTURBING OTHERS" ANNOUNCEMENT...\$9.88 44384—"BUY POPCORN OR ELSE" ANNOUNCEMENT...\$9.95





DRY CLEANERS OFTEN PAY REWARD MONEY to enterprising refreshment stand operators who serve drinks in leaky paper cups. Faulty wax coating causes these cups to start dribbling only seconds after being filled while horrified patrons watch their best clothes become hideously spotted with soft drink stains. Talk to a cleaner in your area about bribing you to use these defective disaster creators.

53847—FACTORY REJECT DRIBBLE CUPS......\$9.95 PER 1,000 ANCIENT CANDY BARS were recently discovered by our buyers in rusty vending machines left behind on South Pacific islands after World War II. Ingredients have nearly turned to stone, which explains why we are able to offer them at bargain prices. Still, they'll be eagerly sought in theater lobbies where long double features drive starving film buffs to desperation.





DON'T COUNT ON RANDOM THREADS getting into your projector to make maddening squiggles jump across the screen. Louse up features the way big time exhibitors do with a second film that superimposes squiggles over any normal movie. Each reel provides ten minutes of thread lines jumping around in an insane pattern guaranteed to make patrons flee without demanding money back.

20298—WIGGLY SQUIGGLE MOVIE FILM....\$37.50 PER REEL

PHONY DRINKING FOUNTAIN does nothing but spritz compressed air into the faces of thirsty patrons. Lavishly designed in multi-colored plastic, yet it costs far less than real fountains that require expensive pipes for connection to a water supply. Watch your beverage sales zoom when you replace your present fountain with one of these throat parchers.

66281-FOOLER COOLER
FOUNTAIN.....\$79.95
66282-"PERPETUALLY OUT OF
ORDER" SIGN
FOR ABOVE....\$1.49





UNDESTRABLE FURNISHINGS prevent teen-agers and other weirdos from loafing around in your lounge after they've already seen the picture. Complete set of gosh awful stuff includes one take fireplace, two cold, hard marble benches, one depressing lamp and one library table equipped with three ragged copies of the May, 1964, issue of "Field and Stream."

31180—"DREADFUL DECOR" LOUNGE FURNISHINGS . \$679 PER SET



BOTTLED FLOOR GOOK can pay off handsomely for you when you spread this sticky stuff around so your customers' soles stick to your theater floor. Talk to the shoemaker in your area about bribing you to use this slop, which forces patrons to prematurely wear out their soles and heels on the payement outside your doors trying to scrape off the yechy goo.

20774—SOLE OF THE MATTER THEATER FLOOR GOOK...,...\$5.95 PER GAL.

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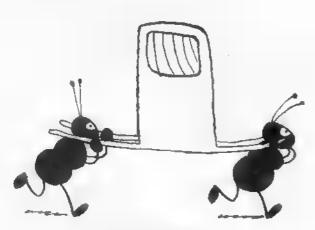
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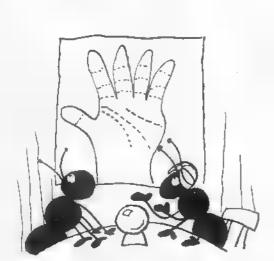
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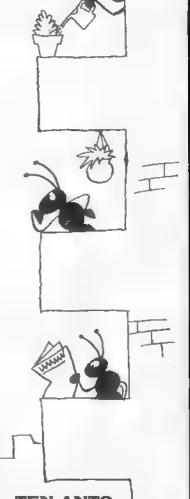
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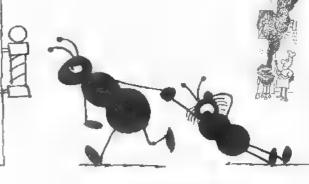




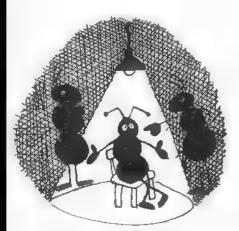
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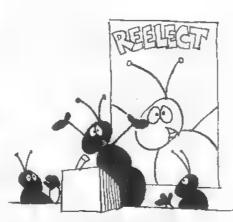
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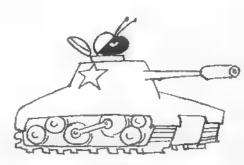
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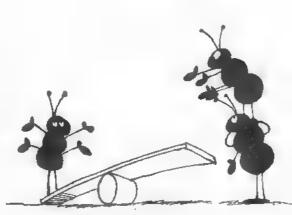
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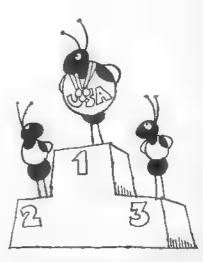
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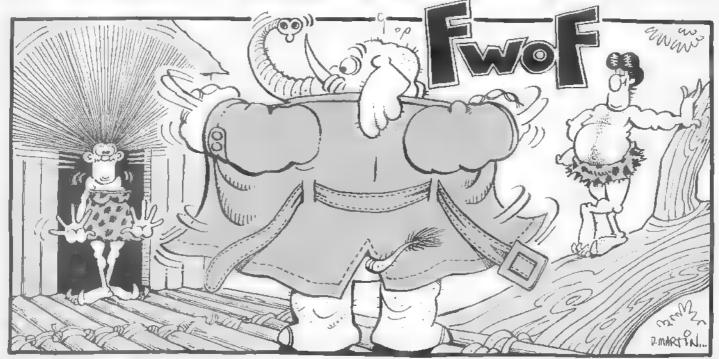
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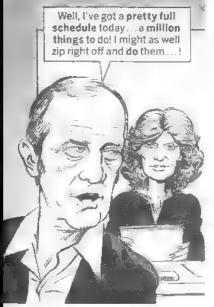
INN-SIPID TV DEPARTMENT

A few years ago, Bob Newhart played the part of a bumbling husband with a sensible wife and some dopey friends. But you can't stand still in the TV Sitcom business! So Bob made a dramatic career change. Now, he's bumbling husband with a sensible wife and some *new* dopey friends. In a mind-blowing change of format, one of the mildest, most ineffective psychologists in Chicago has now become one of the mildest, most ineffective innkeepers in Vermont! Yes, it's a new series! But it's a...

Not-So-New-Hart

ARTIST: ANGELO TORRES WRITER: ARNIE KOGEN













I'm just setting my own casual SITCOM PACE ... that's all! A slow, casual pace is one thing! But you've perfected m whole new TV Art Form!! It's called "VIDEO COMATOSE"!!



Duck! You called me "EMILY"! Your first TV wife was Emily! I'm Joyanna! Gosh...
I'm sorry,
Joyanna!!
know that's
a sensitive
area for
you...!

Look it's only natural! You spent six prosperous seasons with another wife! She was good for you! You were good together! But now, you've got me! I just want to do for you what she did for you...!

Okay ...
just keep
pouring
me coffee
...and
feeding me
straight
lines!!











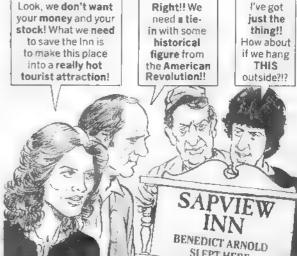


















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WHAT **DREADED ERUPTION DEVAJTATE** MILLIONS IN 1984?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

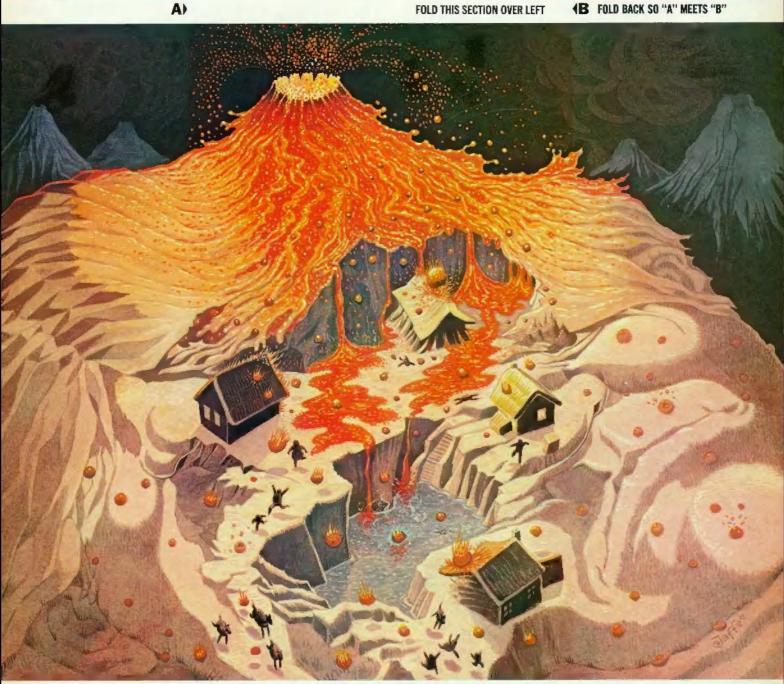
MAD FOLD-IN

Every year, countless natural eruptions occur, terrifying helpless people all over the world. But one eruption is dreaded more than any other, and is almost certain to devastate millions in 1984. To find out what it is, fold in the page.



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THERE ARE PEOPLE WHOSE MISERABLE LIVES ALWAYS TEETER ON THE BRINK OF DISASTER. WHILE SOME MANAGE TO ESCAPE HARM, OTHERS SEEM TO BE CONSTANTLY ZAPPED BY A CRUEL FATE . . . AND THEY NEVER MAKE IT!

4B A)





